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NEA DRAPER FROM AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: MASS, LE
SUBJECT: MILITARY SURVEY TEAM AND M-16'S.

1. DISCUSSED VISIT OF MILITARY SURVEY TEAM WITH BOUTROS
MARCH 3. REMINDED HIM I HAD SUGGESTED MARCH 10 AS
ARRIVAL DATE. HE CALLED GENERAL KHOURY AND THEY AGREED
HE WOULD GIVE ME ANSWER ON MONDAY. HE SAID HE WANTED
BE SURE KHOURY'S MIND WAS GOING TO BE FREE ENOUGH
OF PRESENT OVERRIDING CONCERNS ARISING OUT FAYYADIYAH
INCIDENT TO PERMIT HIM TO GIVE FULL ATTENTION TO TEAM.

2. I NOTED THERE HAD BEEN GOOD DEAL OF UNHELPFUL
SPECULATION ABOUT M-16'S ALLEGED TO HAVE BEEN SOLD OR
TURNED OVER TO LEBANESE FRONT BY THE FAYYADIYAH GARRISON
AND THIS BEING THE REASON FOR THE SYRIAN CHECKPOINT AT
THOSE BARRACKS. KARIM PAKRADOUNI HAD EVEN COME TO US WITH
SERIAL NUMBER OF ONE M-16 WHICH ALLEGEDLY CAME FROM
FAYYADIYAH. THE NUMBER TURNED OUT TO BE A BUMMER. BOUTROS
SAID HE WAS FAMILIAR WITH STORY AND IT WAS WITHOUT FOUNDATION.
DURING MANY LONG HOURS OF DISCUSSIONS, THE SYRIANS HAD NOT
MADE A SINGLE ALLUSION TO THESE ALLEGATIONS, WHICH WOULD HAVE
GIVEN THEM A CONVENIENT EXCUSE FOR THEIR ACTIONS. HE HOPED
THE SURVEY TEAM WOULD HAVE TIME TO CHECK M-16'S HELD AT
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FAYYADIYAH WHILE HERE.
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